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SUBJ: ANTI-DUMPING PROCEEDINGS: PRELIMINARY ITC REPORT

REF: A. STATE 213834 B. STATE 210315

1. ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRELIMINARY ITC FINDING IN AUTOMOBILE CASE TO THE EFFECT THAT POSSIBILITY OF INJURY CANNOT BE RULED OUT AT THIS EARLY STAGE RECEIVED MINIMAL FACTUAL COVERAGE IN JAPANESE MEDIA AND NO RPT NO EDITORIAL COMMENT. MITI SPOKESMAN WAS QUOTED AS EXPRESSING CONFIDENCE THAT "COOL HEADS WOULD PREVAIL" IN CONDUCT OF INVESTIGATION. SOME JAPANESE PAPERS DID CARRY INTERNATIONAL WIRE SERVICE REPORTAGE OUT OF BRUSSELS ATTRIBUTING EC COMMISSION SPOKESMAN ALLEGATION THAT U.S. CONTINUATION OF INVESTIGATION VIOLATES GATT CODE. JAPAN AUTO INDUSTRY DID NOT COMMENT.

2. GOJ OFFICIALS WERE NOT SURPRISED BY ANNOUNCEMENT. AMBASSADOR HAD ALERTED FONMIN MIYAZAWA, AND
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EMBOFF HAD GONE OVER DETAILS OF CASE WITH MITI OFFICIAL

(KINOSHITA, DIRECTOR OF AMERICAS-OCEANIA DIVISION, WHO SPENT SEVERAL YEARS AS MITI REP IN GOJ EMBASSY WASHINGTON AND UNDERSTANDS IMPORT OF NEW ANTI-DUMPING PROVISIONS IN TRADE REFORM ACT).

3. EMBASSY COMMENT: THE JAPANESE APPARENTLY UNDERSTAND AND RESPECT QUASI-JUDICIAL NATURE OF ANTI-DUMPING PROCEEDINGS IN THE U.S. AND AT THIS STATE ARE CONTENT TO MAKE THEIR CASE IN CUSTOMS INVESTIGATIONS, TREASURY CONFERENCES, AND ITC HEARINGS RATHER THAN IN PUBLIC DISCUSSION.
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